

NIGHTHAWK S.W.A.T. SCHOOL

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The Alabama Department of Public Safety is having a Special Weapons and Tactics School. The school will begin Sunday, May 20, 2012 at 1:00 PM and end Friday, May 25, 2012. The training will be held at the Alabama Criminal Justice Training Center in Selma, Alabama on the campus of Wallace Community College. The cost of the school is \$130.00 per student. This includes meals, lodging and classroom supplies. Students must supply their own ammunition.

The course will consist of approximately 76 working hours. Periods of instruction will include woodland movements, tactical combat shooting with handguns and semi-auto rifles, room entry and clearing techniques, live fire shoothouse, combatant & subject control, tactical movements, chemical agents, basic rappelling, and other basic level SWAT skills.

If you are interested, please send a number of how many officers who want to attend so that a spot in the class can be reserved. **There will be only 32 spots available.**

Listed below are the items students will need to bring with them:

Boots (minimum one pair)

1. Several pairs of thick socks
2. Fatigues BDU's(three sets minimum)
3. Urban web gear* (self contained equipment vest with flashlight holder, magazine pouches, holster etc.)
4. Non-urban web gear* (consisting of a load bearing vest, ammo pouches, canteen and cover, holster etc.)
5. Flashlight
6. Knife (Rambo style knives are not recommended)
7. Gloves with reinforced palms for rappelling
8. Personal first aid kit
9. "D" rings or oval carabineers for rappelling (we prefer the locking gate)
10. 14' of rappel rope for Swiss Seat or commercial/military grade rappel seat (all ready-made will be checked and approved by Rappel Master before using)
11. Assault rifle or sub-machine gun (No sniper rifles)**
12. Sidearm that you will carry on tactical operations
13. Head cover, black, blue, dark green or camouflage
14. Roll of black electrical tape
15. Gun cleaning equipment
16. Dark colored poncho or other rain gear
17. Functional gas mask
18. Safety glasses/eye protection for firing range
19. Bullet proof and/or entry vest
20. Handcuffs and/or flex cuffs
21. Ballistic shield (if available)***
22. One Distraction Device (Def Tec, Accuracy System etc.)***
23. Kevlar Helmet (if available)

*One set of web gear is acceptable, however, due to the changing environment, one set for urban and one set adapted for a non-urban environment is desired.

** No Shotguns!!

*** One of the items per Team is requested.

In addition to the above equipment, the following ammunition is required:

Sidearm	600 rounds
Assault rifle or sub-gun	200 rounds

Please contact me at the Training Center if you have any questions or if we may be of any assistance to you. Our phone number is (334) 263-8950 or (334) 263-8956 and our FAX number is (334) 874-6669.

Respectfully,

Corporal Edward Bennett
SWAT Training Coordinator

Enclosures: [1 physical fitness/form]

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Physical Fitness/Firearms-Evaluation Form

Supervisor's Endorsement

I have observed and evaluated _____ of the
(applicant's name)

_____ and found him/her physically prepared to
(applicant's agency)

participate and complete the Alabama Criminal Justice Training Center's Basic Special Weapons and Tactics School including the fitness evaluation of 2 pull-ups, 35 sit-ups in one minute, 35 push-ups in one minute, a one mile run in full tactical gear on 12 minutes and the Firearms Qualification Course with a score of 80% (40 out of 50). This applicant has no medical problems that I am aware of that may interfere or affect his/her participation in this program.

(supervisor's name)

(supervisor's signature)

This form needs to be signed and turned into the Training Center during orientation to be placed in the student's training records.

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Physical Fitness Requirements

Statistics and experience have shown that Police Officers, especially those involved in Special Weapons and Tactics duties, should be in good physical condition. Therefore, a mandatory physical fitness assessment will be administered on Sunday afternoon. The test will consist of the following:

2 pull-ups

35 push-ups in 1 minute

35 sit-ups in 1 minute

1 mile run in 12 minutes

The fitness test will be accomplished in fatigues with the exception of the run which will be performed in fatigues, web gear, full canteen or camel pack and long gun. All other fitness training will be in PT gear and running shoes. Due to the nature of the training, students who fail the initial fitness assessment will be dismissed from the course. Tuition will be refunded for those failing the P.T test. Enclosed is a form that needs to be signed by the applicants Training Officer or Supervisor stating that he/she is capable of successfully completing the fitness assessment and subsequent training. This form is to be returned to the Training Center by the student during orientation.

Other physical fitness training will be included in the course. This training will include requirements for tactical movement involving quick dashes (20-40 yards) in full tactical gear. All students will be required to rappel down a vertical wall and from a **simulated** helicopter skid. There will be no helicopter rappels in the basic school.

In addition to a physical fitness test, a firearms test will be administered on the first day. Students will need to score 80 % or better to remain in the course. Enclosed is a copy of the Q-Course that will be used for this test. A total of 40 out of 50 hits on a "Q" target constitutes 80 %. Failure of the Q-Course will result in the student being dropped from the course. Students dropped from the course on the first day will be refunded the cost of the course.